The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS, farms located within Centre County and adjoining counties offer an abundance of fresh, wholesome food for the general public, especially in the summer months; and

WHEREAS, Centre County consumers wish to purchase and enjoy the freshest and healthiest foods available on the market, while also supporting farms within their communities wherever possible; and

WHEREAS, the economic success of farms in Centre County is a vital factor in maintaining the strength of this Region's overall economy, and in preserving its natural resources and cultural heritage as well; and

WHEREAS, strong relationships between farmers and consumers in Centre County result in a better quality of life for everyone.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of **August 2-9, 2014**, as "**Local Foods Week**" in Centre County, and encourages all citizens and businesses within the County to participate in celebrating our rich agricultural heritage and the bounty of our local harvest in a fashion appropriate to each.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of July 2014.

Steven G. Dershem, Chairman

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